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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE FEDERAL PROSECUTION OF LORENZ

KIDNAPPERS

REF: USBERLIN 307

1. TAGESSPIEGEL CARRIED STORY FEBRUARY 22 SAYING THAT IT NOW UNLIKELY MEMBERS OF JUNE 2 MOVEMENT WILL BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL FOR EITHER LORENZ KIDNAPPING OR VON DRENKMANN KILLING THIS YEAR. PAPER SAYS THAT DIFFERENCE OF VIEW ON PROBATIVE VALUE OF EVIDENCE TRANSMITTED BY BERLIN AUTHORITIES TO FEDERAL PROSECUTOR WAS BEHIND BUBACK'S COMMENTS IN SPIEGEL (REFTEL). TAGESSPIEGEL SAYS FEDERAL PROSECUTOR IS LESS CERTAIN THAN BERLINERS THAT EVIDENCE THUS FAR AMASSED ADEQUATELY LINKS KEY FIGURES OF JUNE 2 MOVEMENT, INCLUDING RALF REINDERS, TO BOTH CRIMES. EVIDENCE ON KIDNAPPING IS APPARENTLY MUCH FIRMER THAN ON MURDER. POLICE MJAOR MANFRED

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GANSCHWO IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT "WE'RE WELL SHORT OF SATISFACTION (ZUR ZUFRIEDENHEIT FEHLT NOCH EINE GANZE

MENGE."

2. TAGESSPIEGEL ALSO MAKES FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "IT'S HEARD THAT THE THREE ALLIED WESTERN ALLIES WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE IN BERLIN ARE SUPPOSED NOT TO HAVE MADE UP THEIR MINDS YET ABOUT AN INDICTMENT IN WEST BERLIN FOR COERCION OF FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL ORGANS." PAPER SUGGESTS, HOWEVER, THAT THIS IS ONLY MARGINAL CAUSE OF APPARENTLY INCREASINGLY LIKELY DELAY IN PROSECUTION OF CASE.GEORGE

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